

COLUMBIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Policy and Procedure Manual

LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITY

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100.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Law enforcement officers are granted the authority to perform their function based on established legal authority. This department does not tolerate abuse of law enforcement authority.

100.2 PEACE OFFICER POWERS

Officers commissioned by the City of Columbia shall be considered peace officers and possess a valid peace officer license pursuant to § 590.020.1, RSMo.

The authority of a peace officer and the scope of that authority extends to any place in the State of Missouri for which his/her license is valid and assigns the scope of his/her duty to preserving the peace within the jurisdiction in accordance with statutory limits and through all lawful means. A peace officer shall perform those duties necessary as part of the regular and permanent performance of the public power, trust or duty, including those functions that may involve the use of force and the arrest or detention of a person.

100.2.1 AUTHORITY OUTSIDE OF JURISDICTION

The authority of a peace officer extends to any place in the state of Missouri, as follows:

1. An officer of a county of the first classification is granted arrest authority pursuant to (§ 70.820.5, RSMo).
2. The officer sees a person using or threatening physical force involving a risk of death or physical injury to another person or is committing a dangerous felony (§ 70.820.6, RSMo).

100.6 CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENTS

All employees shall observe and comply with every person's clearly established rights under the United States and Missouri Constitutions.